

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-13, 15-17, and 21-24 are pending in the application. In the Office Action dated June 8, 2009, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3, 4, 6-13, 15-17, and 21-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2002/0116473 ("Gemmell") in view of U.S. Pat. No. 6,496,980 ("Tillman") and U.S. Pat. No. 5,790,935 ("Payton"). In this Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 1 and 21; cancelled claims 3, 4, 6, 11-13, and 15-17; and added new claim 25.

Amended independent claims 1 and 21, and new independent claim 25 each generally recite compressing (or means for compressing) decomposed video content using one of a sub-band technique or a vector quantization technique. The Examiner has not asserted that Gemmell, Tillman, or Payton teach this element.

Applicants request reconsideration in light of the amendments to the claims. If there are any questions concerning this Amendment, the Examiner is asked to phone the undersigned attorney at (312) 321-4200.

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